TRAC Materials

Sources for State and Local Tax Data

National Level Data

- National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). NCSL is a bipartisan organization that serves the legislators and staff's of the nation's 50 states, its commonwealths and territories. NCSL provides research, technical assistance and opportunities for policymakers to exchange ideas on the most pressing state issues.

 www.ncsl.org
- <u>Federation of Tax Administrators (FTA)</u>. FTA serves as a source of information and expertise for state administrators and others on the workings of state tax agencies and systems as well as issues generally affecting tax policy and administration.

 www.taxadmin.org
- <u>United States Census Bureau (Census)</u>. See "Federal, State, and Local Governments" main page; specifically, "Government Finance Statistics" and "Tax Statistics" links. <u>www.census.gov/govs/</u>
- <u>The Tax Foundation</u>. The Tax Foundation is a nonpartisan tax research and educational group based in Washington, DC. <u>www.taxfoundation.org</u>
- The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy (Property Tax). In conjunction with GW's Institute of Public Policy, this new site provides data sets and links relating to the property tax and its role in state and local finance in all 50 states. The interface allows users to access property tax and data online in a variety of forms, including tables of the most frequently sought figures, a query system for creating new tables, and a downloadable database.

 http://www.lincolninst.edu/subcenters/significant-features-property tax/

State Level Data

- Budget and Control Board Board of Economic Advisors (BEA). As the chief economic advisor and general economic consultant to the state, the BEA performs a number of functions. One of its primary responsibilities is the revenue forecasting function. This involves the projection, formulation, evaluation, and continuing review of revenues for all state programs as well as economic research, collection, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data pertaining to matters relative to the economy.

 http://www.bea.sc.gov/BCB/bea/BCB-bea-index.phtm
- The South Carolina Department of Revenue (DOR). DOR administers 32 taxes, collecting more than \$6.1 billion annually. Its mission is to administer the tax laws of the state and to collect taxes in a manner that ensures public confidence in our integrity, effectiveness and fairness. http://www.sctax.org/default.htm